ABSTRACT

An expression converting method wherein for each sentence in a corpus, key words are selected from the sentence, a combination of key words that are in a co-occurrence relation is identified from among a predetermined number of combinations of key words among the selected key words, and the identified key word combination and an expression into which the sentence from which the key words are selected is converted are previously associated, and

wherein predetermined key words are selected from an input sentence, the selected key words are combined, the key word combinations and the previously identified key word combination of each sentence are compared, one or more than one sentences that coincide or have a high degree of similarity as a result of the comparison are selected, and expressions into which the selected sentences are converted are output.